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NEW PUBLICATIONS FROM THE U.S. FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE **HIGHLIGHT ENDANGERED SPECIES, SPORT FISH, AND MORE**

Successful efforts to conserve and protect this Nation's fish and wildlife are highlighted in several recent publications of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

One is a full color poster portraying endangered and threatened species success stories. Illustrated by artist Dorothy Michele Novick, the poster features the grizzly bear and western prairie fringed orchid, both of which have stabilized while under protected status; the bald eagle, now experiencing significant population increases; the greenback cutthroat trout, upgraded from endangered to threatened; and more. The poster (stock number 024-010-00702-8) is available for \$6.50 from the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, DC, 20402, telephone (202) 783-3238.

A beautiful and informative poster depicting 27 of the most common sport fish in full color also is available for \$6.50 from the Superintendent of Documents (stock number 024-010-00700-1). The poster features such species as the largemouth bass, red drum, rainbow trout, channel catfish, and bluefish.

This continent hosts about 200 different species of neotropical migrant songbirds -- those nesting in North America and migrating to areas in Central and South America during winter. A new full color poster portrays 11 such songbirds, including the western tanager, rose-breasted grosbeak, and painted bunting. Called "Songbirds of Forest and Field," it features paintings by Louis Agassiz Fuertes, considered by many to be one of America's best bird painters. The poster is sold for \$6.50 by the Superintendent of Documents (stock number 024-010-00699-4).

"Standing Watch" is a new poster created cooperatively by the Service and the Department of the Navy, and describes efforts to protect endangered and threatened species at Navy and Marine installations. The full color poster, on sale through the Superintendent of Documents for \$5 (stock number 024-010-00701-0), describes these various activities and illustrates the species which benefit.

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Two previously produced, full color endangered species posters also are still available from the Superintendent of Documents. Part of a series called "Endangered Means There's Still Time," one features endangered and threatened species found in coastal habitats, and the other those found in desert habitats. The coastal endangered species poster costs \$4.75 and the desert poster \$5.50 (stock numbers 024-010-00693-5 and 024-01000698-6, respectively).

A new full color brochure on the Service's fisheries programs describes the many issues involving fisheries resources today, such as pollution, over-harvesting, and introduction of non-native species. In addition, it explains how Service fisheries biologists address these challenges through leadership, management, habitat restoration, and development of new technology. The brochure defines various Service activities that help fish, and describes a sampling of six species and their special characteristics and needs. It is available at no charge from the Service's Publications Unit, 4040 North Fairfax Drive, 130 Webb Building, Arlington, Virginia, 22203, telephone (703) 358-1711.

A description of the Service's efforts to protect the Nation's fragile coastal ecosystems is provided in a new brochure called "Meeting Our Coastal Challenges" and is available at no charge from the Service's Publications Unit. The full color brochure explains why these ecosystems are valuable, biologically and economically, and what can be and is being done to protect them.

For the bird enthusiast, a packet of publications describing how to attract, feed, and provide suitable homes for different species of birds also is available. The packet includes three brochures: Homes for Birds, Backyard Bird Feeding, and Attract Birds. To order the packet, send your request along with your name, address, and 50 cents to the Consumer Information Center, Department 370AA, Pueblo, Colorado, 81009.

Another new brochure explains how you or your organization can become a partner in the largest, most successful wetlands conservation effort on the continent by applying for a matching federal grant to protect or improve wetlands. The North American Wetlands Conservation Fund brochure outlines application procedures in clear, concise terms. Copies of the brochure and grant applications are free from the Service's Publications Unit.

(For general information on Service publications, contact the Publications Unit, 4040 North Fairfax Drive, 130 Webb Building, Arlington, Virginia, 22203; telephone 703-358-1711).

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